MINUTES OF THE MEETING

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE

UNIVERSAL CHRISTIAN COUNCIL

FOR

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. UNIVERSAL CHRISTIAN COUNCIL FOR LIFE AND WORK.

FIRST SESSION

The Executive Committee of the Universal Christian Council for Life and Work met in Ridley Hall, Cambridge, England, Tuesday, August 25th, 1931, at 2.30 p.m., with the Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of Winchester in the Chair.

A short prayer was offered, after which the Chairman gave an address of welcome to the members of the Committee, calling attention to the programme of the Stockholm Movement and how it can best be put into practice this coming year.

The Chairman referred to the absence of Dr. Kapler, who was unable to be present on account of th situation in Germany.

Voted:

That the Chairman be authorised to send a suitable letter to Dr. Kapler.

The **Roll** was called by the Gen. Secretary, and the following were present:

Dr. W. A. Brown.
Rev. Karlstrom.
Bishop of Novi Sad.
Dr. W. P. Merrill.
The Rev. E. Smith.
The Rev. P. T. R. Kirk.
Bishop Ostenfeld.
Prof. D. Titius.
Dr. Cavert.
Miss Dingman.
Bishop Cannon.
Dr. Hans Schönfeld.
Dr. Emhardt.
Prof. F. Zilka.
Bishop L. Ravasz.
Dr. G. F. Barbour.
Pastor J. Jézéquel.
Prof. W. Monod.
The Rev. P. Sandegren.
Bishop J. L. Nuelsen.
Prälat Dr. Schoell
(repr. Dr. Kapler).

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Dr. Garvie.
Bishop V. Ammundsen.
M. G. Thélin.
Dr. Neander.
Pastor E. Gounelle.
Prof. Dr. Dibelius.
(representing Dr. Deissmann).
The Rev. H. S. Leiper.
Prof. Dr. A. Keller.
Archbishop D. Germanos.
The Rt. Rev., the Lord Bishop of Winchester.
Dr. H. A. Atkinson.
Mr. P. H. Steele.

Letters of apology were received from the following:

Dr. Kapler.
Dr. Stange.
Prof. Alivisatos.
Lord Bishop of Lichfield.
Bishop D. Ihmels.
Dr. Deissmann.
Lord Bishop of Chichester.
Prof. Dr. Hinderer.
Dr. Hosemann.

Voted unanimously:

That the Chairman write a letter on behalf of the Committee expressing to Mrs. Söderblom its sympathy and its sense of the invaluable service rendered to the Movement and to the whole cause of Church unity by the late Archbishop of Upsala.

Reports were then given on the work of the year from the various countries in the Continental European Section. Prälat Schoell, on behalf of Dr. Kapler, gave a general survey of the work done in Europe and a special report on the work in Germany.

The meeting adjourned at 3.30 p.m.

SECOND SESSION.

Tuesday, August 25th, 8 p.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

Pastor Jézéquel and Prof. Monod reported for France.
Dr. Zilka reported for Czecho-Slovakia.
Bishop Ravasz reported for Hungary.
Bishop Ammundsen reported for Denmark.
Dr. Keller reported for Switzerland.
Dr. Sandegren reported for Sweden.
Mr. Leiper reported for the American Section in the unavoidable absence of Dr. Cadman.

The meeting adjourned at 9.30 p.m.

THIRD SESSION.

Wednesday, August 26th, 10 a.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

The following were appointed as members of the **Nomination Committee**:

Bishop V. AMMUNDSEN, *Chairman*
Pastor Jules JÉZÉQUEL
The Rev. P. T. R. KIRK
Bishop J. L. NUELSEN
Dr. Hans SCHÖNFELD
His Grace the Metropolitan of Thyateira, GERMANOS
Dr. William ADAMS BROWN

The report of the British Section was presented by the Rev. P. T. R. KIRK.

The report of the Eastern Orthodox Section was presented by the Metropolitan of Thyateira, GERMANOS.

The Bishop of Novi Sad reported for the **Eastern Orthodox** Churches.

Prof. Dr. S. ZANKOW reported for Bulgaria.

Dr. J. Sandegren reported in behalf of the **Fifth** Section.

Bishop J. L. Nuelsen spoke regarding the Christian Movement in China.

Miss Dingman called attention to the Whitley Commission's report on labor conditions in India and presented a resolution which was referred to the Committee on Nominations and Resolutions for action.

Dr. C. E. Barbour presented the report of the Youth Commission.

Miss Dingman addressed the meeting with reference to the programme for the Social Study Week which begins September 22.

After discussion, it was *voted:*

(1) That the **Youth Commission** continue to develop its work so far as is possible under present conditions.

(2) That the possibility should be explored of co-operating with the Faith and Order Movement and the World Alliance in bringing before young people's groups and organisations the closely related aims and work of these three œcumenical movements.

(3) That Mr. Steele should be Secretary to the Commission, which should keep in constant touch with

both the Education and Extension Department and the Research Bureau.

(4) That the Commission make such arrangements as may be practicable for the attendance at the 1932 meeting of the Universal Council of a youth group composed of representatives of various countries, and that the programme should be so arranged that meetings to which this group is invited are as stimulating as possible.

(5) That the Commission on Co-operation with the Orthodox Churches be asked to undertake any work that may offer in following up the Salonica Conference of last year.

The meeting adjourned.

FOURTH SESSION.

Wednesday, August 26th, 3 p.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

Dr. S. Parkes Cadman, presiding.

The question of **calendar reform** was presented by Mr. Moses B. Cotsworth, director of the International Fixed Calendar League, for the consideration of those members of the Executive Committee who wished to attend. Mr. Cotsworth presented the facts in regard to the International Conference on Calendar Reform called by the League of Nations to meet in Geneva on October 12, 1931, for the consideration of the adoption of a thirteen-month year. He said that all religious bodies except Jews and Seventh-Day Adventists had agreed to the proposal in principle and he urged the Council to consider the benefits to be derived and to take some action in support of the plan.

The Rev. A. S. Maxwell, secretary of the Religious Liberty Association and a Seventh-Day Adventist, spoke in opposition. After discussion it was unanimously voted:

(1) That the Executive Committee of the Universal Christian Council for Life and Work appreciates the work being done by the International Fixed Calendar League and will follow with interest the proceedings of the International Conference when it meets in Geneva at the call of the League of Nations.

(2) That the Council heartily approves of the proposal to *fix* by international agreement the date of Easter.

(3) That the General Administrative Secretary be authorised to keep in close and sympathetic touch with the work of

the League of Nations in regard to this question and keep the Council and its members informed of developments.

The meeting adjourned.

Wednesday, August 26th, 8 p.m.

A Memorial Service for the Late, the Most Reverend Nathan Söderblom, Archbishop of Upsala, Sweden.

A memorial service was held in the chapel of the College for the late Archbishop Söderblom, who died at Upsala, Sweden, on July 12, 1931. The Right Reverend, the Lord Bishop of Winchester officiated. Addresses were made by Archbishop Germanos, Bishop Ammundsen of Denmark, Pastor Jézéquel of France, Prälat Schoell of Germany, Prof. Dr. William Adams Brown of New York and the Rev. Paul Sandegren of Sweden. These addresses are being printed in a memorial pamphlet which will be ready for distribution within the next few weeks.

FIFTH SESSION.

Thursday, August 27th, 10 a.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

The report of the **Theologians' Commission** was presented by Dr. Martin Dibelius for Dr. Adolf Deissmann. He spoke of the great loss to the work in the death of Professor Arthur Hjelt, of Finland. Request was made in the report that the Chairman of this Commission be permitted to co-opt a Finnish scholar to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Professor Hjelt.

Dr. Dibelius called attention to the **British-German East-West Conference** and expressed the opinion that it is through such conferences that valuable intimate personal relationships are formed. He called attention to the joint work of the Anglo-German group in bringing out the "Mysterium Christi".

It was *voted* that the report of this Commission be accepted, and a vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Deissmann for his work and Dr. Dibelius for serving in his place.

The report of the **Press Commission** was received. Dr. Atkinson spoke with appreciation regarding the œcumenical letters sent out by Dr. Hinderer and urged that these letters be issued by the Press Commission in close affiliation with the office in Geneva.

It was *voted* that the following members be appointed as a

sub-committee to consider the question of the secretariat and present a report at a later date:

The Rt. Rev. the Lord Bishop of Winchester, *Chairman*
Prof. Dr. Dibelius
Principal Dr. A. E. Garvie
The Rev. Paul Sandegren
The Rev. Henry Smith Leiper

Canon Partridge, representative of the Church of England on the Press Commission, gave a short address regarding the value and importance of the press in informing the public of the work of the Council.

It was *resolved* to express thanks to Dr. Hinderer and the Press Commission for their work. It was further *resolved* to suggest to Dr. Hinderer caution in regard to the œcumenical letters and to urge him to keep in close touch with the Institute in Geneva and the Christian News Agencies of the various countries.

It was *voted* that Christian people support only those papers which present news in a clean and wholesome manner.

Following this Dr. Atkinson presented the report of the **Reorganization Committee.** He emphasized the need for definition of the relationship between each Commission and the Institute, urging closer contact between them, and pointed out that the varying functions of the Commissions makes identical relationships with the Institute impossible. He suggested that the Theologians' Commission, while in no sense losing its independence, keep in close touch with the departments of Extension and Research; that the Commissions consider the question of their personnel; that heads of departments of the Institute be *ex officio* members of all Commissions; that members of Commissions be re-elected at each meeting of the Council. He proposed, in addition:

(1) The appointment of an **Advisory Committee on Research** with the Director of Research as its secretary and Dr. G. Thélin as liaison member with the International Labour Office, the question of personnel being referred to the Committee on Nominations; and

(2) The appointment of a second commission to be known as the **International Social Commission** (Social Action of the Churches and Relations of Church to Industry) to take over the work of the present Institute Commission and the Commission on Churches and Labour, handle such moral questions as might arise

from time to time, and act as advisory committee of the Department of Education and Extension; heads of departments of the Institute to become *ex officio* members of the Commission, its personnel to be appointed from the Executive Committee of the Council, and corresponding members invited to represent the various countries and specially interested circles.

It was *voted* to adopt these recommendations.

Dr. William Adams Brown suggested that, inasmuch as the Council had voted definitely to hold another **World Conference in 1935,** similar to the Stockholm Conference of 1925, a committee should be appointed to consider the proposal for the conference, its programme and scope.

After discussion, it was *voted* that Dr. Brown and Dr. Garvie should name a small committee to be known as "the special committee to consider the preparation and programme of the proposed Conference in 1935."

Dr. Schönfeld presented the report of the **Research Department.**

Dr. Garvie proposed that the Committee accept the report as a whole and give the Research Department all the support, sympathy and encouragement possible.

Dr. Dibelius suggested the appointment of a liaison member between the Research Department and the Theologians' Commission.

The Chairman thanked Dr. Schönfeld and his assistants for what they have done and what they are planning for the future.

The report of the **Commission on Co-operation with the Orthodox Church,** presented by Archbishop Germanos, recommended:

(1) That, since the Right Rev., the Bishop of Chichester is unable to continue his work, Prof. Dr. Deissmann be appointed Chairman;

(2) That Dr. Alivisatos be asked to withdraw his resignation from Secretaryship of the Committee and continue to serve, but if he finds this impossible, to ask Dr. Zankow, associate secretary of the Commission, to take his place;

(3) That in accordance with the request of the Youth Commission, the Commission on Co-operation with the Orthodox Church will do everything possible

(*a*) To assist in the formation of Youth groups in the countries of its Section, and

(*b*) To forward publication of the book projected in Salonica (which is to appear with the imprint of the Salonica Conference Committee and be financed by the Youth Commission);

(4) That the Council be asked to vote a sum of £75 to meet the costs of the meeting of Orthodox representatives and the preparation of the report on present social activity in the Churches.

SIXTH SESSION

Thursday, August 27th, 3 p.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

In his report on **Education and Extension,** Dr. Adolf Keller spoke of his proposed plan for an œcumenical seminary in Geneva and the Executive Committee agreed to give its moral support.

Dr. Atkinson, reporting for **Administration** called attention to the work being done by Dr. Keller, Dr. Schönfeld, Mr. Bauhofer and Mr. Steele, emphasized the need for representation of the Council at international gatherings and urged wider field service. He spoke of the necessity of having a full-time, permanent, general secretary to take over the administrative work of the Council on the basis of a long-term contract, and suggested that there is available a sum of approximately £400 which could be applied to the salary of such a general secretary.

It was voted that the Chairman should write a letter to each of the organizations (the Church Peace Union in particular) expressing appreciation for their co-operation in making Dr. Atkinson's services available for the Movement.

The Chairman asked that note be made in the minutes of the Council's deep sense of loss in the deaths of **Archbishop Söderblom** [1], **Professor Arthur Hjelt** and **Mr. K. T. Paul.**

The matter of reprinting the **Message of Stockholm** and the appeal to prayer which was adopted at Eisenach was discussed. It was finally *voted* that it be left to the Secretaries to decide the proper time to send out the appeal to prayer and the reprint of the " Message ".

The matter of a new General Administrative Secretary and co-operation of the Council with the World Alliance was discussed.

It was voted:

(1) That the time has come for investigating the possibility

[1] A memorial pamphlet, now in preparation, will be made a part of these records.

of close co-operation with the World Alliance in regard to the organisation of our work in Geneva.

(2) That a Sub-Committee be appointed to confer with a committee set up by the World Alliance with a view to the possible appointment of a Secretary who should serve in Geneva and be responsible for the administrative work of the Alliance and the Council.

(3) That failing agreement on such co-operation, the Sub-Committee, in consultation with the four Presidents, shall have power to appoint an Administrative Secretary as soon as a suitable man can be found.

(4) That, meanwhile, Dr. Atkinson be asked to continue general supervision of the administration and organisation of the work, with Mr. Steele as his assistant, making only such personal contact with the Geneva office as he finds compatible with his other responsibilities.

It was *voted* to appoint the Sub-Committee as follows:

Dr. Zilka, Chairman	Dr. Titius
The Rev. Paul Sandegren	Dr. Choisy
Dr. Cadman	The Bishop of Novi Sad

Mr. Westman of Sweden addressed the meeting on the question of the organization of the **Fifth Section,** especially with regard to **China.** He called attention to the fact that the Fifth Section includes two-thirds of the world's population and that, from his point of view, it has not yet been properly organized. Mr. Westman feels that more direct contact should be maintained between the Fifth Section and the International Missionary Council (both in the field and at the London headquarters of the Council), the National Christian Council and the Continuation Committee of the Edinburgh Conference. He further suggested the appointment of a president and secretary for the Fifth Section.

Discussion ensued in which Bishop Nuelsen expressed accord with the views of Mr. Westman and Dr. Atkinson reviewed the work done towards closer co-operation between the Churches of the East and the West, pointing out that at present there are representatives of the Christian Council of India and Ceylon, and of the National Christian Council of Japan in the Council. Difficulties in the way of better organization of the Fifth Section were gone into and it was *voted* that the Secretary should confer with Mr. Merle Davis as to how best to accomplish an efficient organization in this Section.

Following this discussion the **Treasurer** presented hi **report,** as follows:

AUGUST 1, 1930 — JULY 31, 1931.

RECEIPTS.

		Swiss Frs.	£	Swiss Frs.
A.	From Sections:			
	Continental European Section. . .	24.800,90	(1000)	
	British Section. . .	14.548,80	(582)	
	American Section .	51.484,50	(2059)	90.834,20
B.	Transferred from Berlin for " Stockholm " account .	3.772,05		
C.	Sale of publications.	1.092,20		
D.	From the Central Bureau for proportionate share of rent and expenses	1.400,—		
E.	Interest received. .	23,15		6.287,40
			Total .	97.121,60

EXPENDITURES.

	Swiss Frs.		
Salaries.	38.903,55		
Rent and care of offices .	6.131,50		
Light and heat.	1.411,—		
Office supplies	2.591,50		
Multigraphing and duplicating	835,30		
Postage and expressage.	2.499,09		
Telephone and telegraph	3.064,50		
Printing and publication.	8.671,06		
Revue " Stockholm " and honorariums paid . .	5.763,05		
Translations.	1.073,18		
Travel	2.560,95		
Library and subscriptions to publications. . . .	278,60		
Moving office from London and consolidation in Geneva.	1.106,85		
Receptions	82,50		
Social Centre, Geneva. .	1.600,—		
Commissions and preparation for conferences .	8.181,65		
Incidentals and interest .	272.—	Total .	85.026,28
Operating Balance July 31 . .			12,095,32

Henry A. ATKINSON,
Treasurer.

" The accounts of the Treasurer have been examined and found in order. The Audit Committee calls the attention of the Finance Committee to the fact that the accounts are closed on July 31st, and asks that the chairmen of the Commissions be requested to send in their expenditure accounts by July 1st, so that payments for any given year can be included in the books as made up for that year. The Audit Committee thanks the Treasurer for the careful keeping of the books. "

(Signed) Prälat Dr. Schoell.
Prof. F. Zilka.
M. G. Thélin.

It was *voted* to adopt the Treasurer's report for the past year.

It was *voted* to pass a resolution of thanks and appreciation for the courtesy of the bankers, Hentsch & Cie, Geneva.

Prälat Schoell read the **Report of the Permanent Finance Committee** and **Budget for 1931-1932** as follows:

BUDGET FOR 1931-1932.

		Swiss Frs.
Salaries		53,400
Rent and care of offices (proposed for next year)		6,200
Light and heat		1,500
Office supplies		2,500
Multigraphing and duplicating		1,000
Postage and expressage		2,500
Telephone and telegraph		3,000
Printing and publication		10,000
Translations		2,000
Travel.		
Administrative Dept.	1,000	
Research ,,	2,000	
Extension ,,	4,000	
		7,000
Library and subscriptions to publications		1,000
Insurance		500
Receptions and entertainment		1,000
Conferences and commissions		10,000
Furniture and fixtures		2,000
Sundries and interest		1,500
Total		Fr. 105,100

The Finance Committee recommends:

(*a*) That the Executive Committee adopts the foregoing Budget for 1931-1932.

(*b*) That its recommendations of last year be renewed; i.e., that contributions from the Sections should be paid in half-yearly amounts, the first half by October 1st, and the second by March 1st.

(*c*) That all payments be sent to the Central Treasury at Geneva (2, Rue de Montchoisy).

Total sum required		£4,240
From British Section (£840 as last year, plus deficit of £400)	£1,240	
From American Section	2,000	
From European Continental Section	1,000	
		£4,240

(*d*) That Dr. Atkinson be re-elected Treasurer for 1931-1932.

By vote this budget was adopted.

Dr. Garvie suggested that more flexibility be allowed those responsible for financial matters in the allocation of funds to the various Commissions. This was agreed to.

It was *voted* to appropriate for the work of the Commissions sums as follows, subject to the status of the Treasury:

International Social Commission	£100
Youth Commission	50
Theologians' Commission	100
Press Commission	100
Orthodox Commission	50
Total	£400

Following the vote on appropriations for Commissions, Dr. Atkinson suggested that if it is contemplated to hold a conference in the East to discuss the question of co-operation between the Churches of the East and the West, funds in addition to the appropriation made are available.

The proposed **World Conference of 1935** was discussed and it was *voted* to adopt the report of the Sub-Committee as follows:

(1) That we authorize our Chairman on behalf of the Council, and in furtherance of the action taken by that

Council at Chexbres in 1930, to address to the different Churches which sent delegates to the meeting at Stockholm in 1925, and to such other bodies as, from time to time, the Executive Committee may approve, a communication informing them of the judgment of the Council that it is desirable to hold a second Conference, along the general lines of Stockholm, in London or some other place in England, in August, 1935; and of the Council's willingness to undertake, in co-operation with such delegates as each Church may appoint, the preparations necessary for the Conference.

(2) That we ask the various Churches to notify us, if possible not later than the meeting of the Council in August, 1932, of their willingness to be represented in such a Conference and to request them to designate some appropriate Committee of their body with whom we may consult as to subjects to be included in the programme of the proposed Conference or any other matter which may arise in preparation for it.

(3) That pending the adoption of a detailed programme for the proposed Conference by the appropriate Committees, to suggest as general themes for the consideration of the Conference:

(*a*) A survey of the more important developments in the field of Christian life and work which have taken place since the last Conference, together with an analysis of the problems and tasks which grew out of them.

(*b*) A consideration of ways in which the Churches may co-operate more effectively for the purpose of realizing the aims set forth in the Stockholm Message of 1925.

(*c*) A further exploration of the basic convictions and experiences which motivate and inspire Christian service both in its individual and social aspects, with a view to:

(1) Deepening the religious life of the members of our Churches,

(2) Clarifying their understanding of the moral issues which confront the Church and the world today, and

(3) Promoting a spirit of self-sacrifice and consecration in facing them.

(4) That we request the officers of the Council through the appropriate Committees to consult with the various groups interested in our Movement as to the detailed topics to be included in the programme of the proposed Conference, and that the suggestions so assembled be referred to a Committee on Programme to be appointed by the Chair, which shall report to the Council in 1932 its recommendations as to further procedure in the development of the programme.

It was further *voted* that this Committee be named to serve as a **Committee on Programme for the World Conference in 1935:**

Dr. William Adams Brown, *Chairman*
Prof. Wilfred Monod
Prof. Dr. Eugène Choisy
Dr. Paul Sandegren
Prälat Schoell
Principal Dr. A. E. Garvie
The Bishop of Novi Sad
Bishop L. Ravasz
His Grace the Metropolitan of Thyateira, Germanos
The Lord Bishop of Winchester
Dr. Henry A. Atkinson
Dr. Adolf Keller
Dr. Hans Schönfeld
ex officio

THE 1932 MEETINGS

It was *voted* that the Council meet in Geneva next year, if possible the week before the meeting of Faith and Order, so that ample time may be given for the work to be completed before the Assembly of the League of Nations begins.

The Chairman asked that the Executive Committee be prepared to meet one or two days before the meeting of the Council in Geneva.

The report from the **Nominations Committee** was read and adopted as follows:

It was *voted*:

1. That the National Christian Council of India be asked to elect to the Council a member to take the place of the late Mr. K. T. Paul.

2. That of the ten places allowed for co-opted members, five be given to representatives of youth, and that the Youth

Commission be authorized to propose suitable members, consulting such organisations as the Student Christian Movement, the Y.M.C.A., and Toc H.

3. That Miss Mary Dingman be a co-opted member.

4. That a representative group of women be invited to the meeting of the Council next year, and that from this group additional women be nominated to membership in the Council.

5. That Dr. Deissmann be given authority to nominate a member of the Theologians Commission from Finland to take the place of the late Professor Hjelt.

6. That the personnel of the **Youth Commission** be adopted as follows:

Dr. G. F. Barbour, *Chairman*
Dr. E. Stange, *Vice-Chairman*
Mr. P. H. Steele, *Secretary*
Prof. Alivisatos
Prof. Arseniew
Mrs. S. K. Datta
Miss Dingham
M. Th. de Félice
Rev. C. Guillon
M. H. L. Henriod
M. H. Johannot
Rev. W. van Kirk
Miss Mills
Pfarrer J. Nilsson
Rev. Daniel Poling (or other representative of the Christian Endeavour Movement)
Dr. Visser t'Hooft
A representative of the World's alliance of the Churches

7. That the personnel of the **International Social Commission** be adopted as follows:

Pasteur E. Gounelle, Dr. A. Titius } *Joint Chairmen*
Dr. Thélin, *Secretary*
Dr. A. E. Garvie
Archbishop Germanos
Rev. P. Sandegren
Dr. W. M. Tippy
Rev. P. T. R. Kirk

all of the other members of the present Institute Commission and the Commission on Church and Labour becoming corresponding members, and substitutes nominated later for members of the International Social Commission.

8. That the personnel of the **Advisory Committee** on Research be as follows:

Dr. F. Ernest Johnson (American Section)
Rev. V. A. Demant (British Section)
Prof. G. Lasserre (European Section)

Rev. Lic. W. Menn (European Section)
Prof. Dr. Runestam (European Section)
One member to be named later (Orthodox Section)
Mr. Merle Davis (Fifth Section)
Dr. Hans Schönfeld, *Secretary*
Dr. G. Thélin, liaison member with I.L.O.

9. That the following resolution be adopted:

This Committee wishes to draw the attention of Christian bodies in the Older and Younger Churches to the **Report of the Royal Commission on Labour** (Whitley Commission) dealing with labour conditions in India, and to the shorter Report. The book deserves most careful study and consideration by individuals, groups and Churches and should help to foster a right attitude, based on knowledge of facts and on Christian principles, to important labour questions.

10. That the Chairman be given power to approve resolutions passed by the Executive Committee.

Resignation:

Professor William Adams Brown retires from the Press Commission.

Respectfully submitted for the Nomination Committee by:

Bishop V. Ammundsen, Chairman
Bishop of Winchester
Pastor Jules Jézéquel
The Rev. P. T. R. Kirk
Bishop J. L. Nuelsen
Dr. Hans Schönfeld
His Grace the Metropolitan of Thyateira, Germanos
Dr. William Adams Brown
Mr. Steele, for the Secretariat

The meeting adjourned.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Friday, August 28th, 2 p.m., Ridley Hall, Cambridge.

The report of the Sub-Committee appointed to consider the future of " **Stockholm** " was presented by Dr. Atkinson, who told of his visit to Göttingen and of his conference with

Vandenhoect and Ruprecht, publishers of the Magazine, and presented to the Committee for consideration a new contract that had been agreed upon between him and the publishers.

According to the terms of this contract, the format of the Magazine is to be changed. There will be the same number of pages, but the type will be larger and the articles limited to shorter space. The cost to the Council is based upon the number of subscribers secured.

Dr. Atkinson further stated that in order to continue the Magazine on this basis, it would be necessary to pay an annual subsidy to the publishers of £90.

It was proposed that the subscription price be reduced to 8/– (8 marks, $2.00) and in other currencies in the same proportion.

Prälat Schoell called the attention of the Committee to the vote of the Executive Committee taken at Paris, which read as follows:

"It is agreed that the contract be discontinued at the end of the year."

The Treasurer, however, stated that certain moneys had been received this year which were not contemplated at the time of the Paris meeting and that it would be possible to allocate from these funds the sum of £60 that might be appropriated toward the budget for the Magazine for the year 1932.

Mr. Sandegren, speaking for the Swedish Delegation, agreed to become responsible for 300 subscriptions to the Magazine for 1932 — 100 in Sweden, 100 in the rest of North Europe, and 100 in Great Britain. With this guarantee, the following resolution was unanimously *voted:*

> Resolved, that in the judgment of this Committee the review "Stockholm" should be continued if this can be done without financial embarrassment to the Council.

It was finally *voted* that the Review be continued for another year and that the Editorial Committee, together with the Administrative Secretary of the Institute, be charged with responsibility for making the best possible arrangement with the publishers to this end, it being understood that the sum allocated for the Review for the current year will not exceed £90, as proposed in the present tentative contract submitted by the publishers.

The report on action regarding **disarmament** was presented by Dr. Garvie. Dr. Cavert told of what is being done by the

Federal Council regarding disarmament and Mr. Monod and Dr. Titius offered a statement which follows:

> The Executive Committee of the Universal Christian Council, in view of the critical importance of the approaching Disarmament Conference, urges the Churches represented to give themselves earnestly to prayer for the divine guidance of the Conference, so that the delegates may be led to wise and righteous decisions; to the presentation of such petitions to their Governments as the special circumstances of their countries may demand, and to exercise their influence on their Governments in all possible ways toward securing action in support of such reduction of armaments as shall promote the peace of the world; and to cooperate with the international efforts of the World Alliance as closely as the special conditions in each country allow.

It was *voted* that we gratefully receive and cordially associate ourselves with the statement which has been submitted to us by our German and French brethren and further commend it to the careful consideration of the World Alliance.

Dr. Atkinson moved that the Council issue **a call to prayer** on February 2, 1932, the date of the first meeting of the Disarmament Conference.

A letter from Dr. Deissmann presented by Dr. Titius and emphasizing the importance of **Christian education** was referred to the Social Commission.

The following resolution from the **Research Department** was next brought before the Committee and unanimously adopted:

> That the Executive Committee be asked to charge the Sub-Committee on co-operation with the World Alliance to use the suggestions of the Research Department toward some definite action to be taken by the Churches, and submit to the Churches concrete suggestions and plans for such action.

It was *voted* that this document be referred to the World Alliance for consideration and to offer all the facilities of our Research Department to help in carrying out the plans of the Alliance.

It was voted that the Secretary be instructed to convey the gratitude of the Council to the Mayor and Mayoress of

Cambridge for their courteous reception, to the authorities of Ridley Hall, the principal and the staff, who have worked so hard for our comfort and convenience; to send messages of appreciation to the Provost and Fellows of Kings College and the Dean and Canon of Ely Cathedral for their kindness, and to Mr. Kirk for arranging the Conference.

Congratulations were extended to Dr. Garvie through the Committee on the event of his seventieth birthday. The Chairman said no man has worked harder for the cause of international peace and friendship between the Churches.

Expressions of appreciation were extended to the Bishop of Winchester for his excellent chairmanship and to Mrs. Woods for her unfailing kindness.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

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